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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1912.

THE BEARD BILL.

The Beard bill now before the Legislature is a measure of vital importance to this town. Nutley and Belleville. The bill provides that no municipality can place sewage disposal tanks within the territory of another municipality without first getting the consent of the council and Board of Health of the municipality affected by such work. This bill is directed against the intention of Montclair and East Orange to locate an Imhoff system of sewage disposal within the territory of this town and Belleville. It is a bill that was prepared by the legislative committee of the joint committee, consisting of members of the councils and health boards of the three towns named above and which was organized for the purpose of fighting the Montclair-East Orange scheme.

It is up to the people of this town to get behind the Beard bill and urge its adoption by the Legislature, and one way to help it along is to make it known beyond question to all the members of the Legislature that the action of Montclair and East Orange will, if effected, work a great injury to this town, and unless the bill is enacted into a law there is going to be trouble all over the State because of the fact that strong and wealthy municipalities can work disaster to neighboring municipalities by imposing their sewerage systems on them.

The Board of Trade can do a useful work for the town by taking immediate action towards advocating the adoption of the Beard bill. It has been suggested that a public meeting under the auspices of the Board of Trade be held and that action be taken at that meeting towards making a strong presentation of the town's case to the Governor, the Senators and the Assemblymen. Care should also be taken not to confuse the issue. The Imhoff system as a method of sewage disposal is not the question at issue. It is simply this: The people of Bloomfield asked to be protected against neighboring towns going outside of their own territory and coming into the territory of other towns for a site for their sewage disposal plant.

It is believed that a strong presentation of the case from that standpoint will appeal to the Legislature as a just and right request. If the passage of the Beard bill can be secured it is going to be a great saving to the people of this town in fighting the Montclair-East Orange project. If legislative help cannot be secured the matter will have to be taken to court. There is no use looking to the State Board of Health for any help. That body will simply pass on the sanitary features of the Imhoff system and approve of it and leave it to the towns effected to protect themselves the best way they can through the courts. No time should be lost in making a public demonstration here in favor of the Beard bill.

Friendly Service League.

The League for Friendly Service of Bloomfield and Glen Ridge is carrying on a work of the most practical kind of charity. As far as possible it aims to help the needy unemployed to themselves. Thus, during January, permanent positions were found for two men and thirty-three days' work were found for others. Medical attention for two and hospital care for two were provided. Only in the cases of deserving needy were actual donations made. During the month five families, in this class, were provided with coal, twelve families with clothing and eight families with groceries. Three "friendly visitors," each of whom volunteered to look out for one family, were put to work. That the work is carried on upon a business-like basis is evidenced by the fact that a record is kept for statistical purposes of even the routine activities of the organization. Thus the secretary, Miss Zip S. Falk, reports that during January one hundred and eighteen visits were made, one hundred and twenty-three interviews and five meetings of various committees were held and thirty-seven letters written. Miss Falk has regular office hours, from 8 to 10 a. m. and from 4 to 5 p. m., daily except Saturdays, in the building of the Essex County Building and Loan Association on Broad street.

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Hearing on Morris Canal.

Representatives of several municipalities and associations appeared before the Senate committee on railroads and canals Monday to approve, oppose, or suggest amendments to the Morris Canal Abandonment bill. Ex-Judge Bennett Van Syckel, who, with Governor Wilson and Attorney-General Wilson, was on the commission appointed by the Legislature last year to draft a bill, after negotiations with the representatives of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company (the lessee of the canal), was on hand to explain the provisions of the measure.

On account of the number of those who desired to be heard, the chairman of the committee announced that another hearing would be held, the date of which will be made known later. Among the municipalities were Phillipsburg, at the Delaware river end of the canal, Newark, Jersey City, Lake Hopatcong and Rutherford. The representative of Bloomfield appeared in support of the bill as it now stands, saying that the part of the canal in Bloomfield was "an open sewer, detrimental to the health and happiness of all the citizens of Bloomfield."

The Morris Canal Parkway Association asked the committee to amend the bill so as to retain the canal for a public parkway. Hudson Maxim appeared as the largest property owner at Lake Hopatcong. He said he feared that the bill would result in making Lake Hopatcong a reservoir for the water supply of cities to the east and would thereby greatly damage property. Ex-Judge Van Syckel here explained that the bill gave the State no water rights other than those already possessed by the canal company, and that no damage could possibly be done to the property at the lake without condemnation and full compensation.

Toward the close of the hearing, W. H. Corbin representing the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, explained the provisions of the bill and stated the attitude of the company. The bill was drafted by Ex-Judge Van Syckel and Attorney-General Wilson, with the advice of Governor Wilson, after negotiations with President Thomas, Mr. Lindbury and Mr. Corbin, representing the railroad. The company had been liberal in its concessions, almost to the point of profligacy, said Mr. Corbin, in response to the demands of the State's representatives. In response to questions from members of the committee and from others present at the hearing, Mr. Corbin explained the payments to be made to the State. The State gets in fee simple all of the canal between the Delaware river and the west line of Paterson; one-half of the proceeds of the sale of the canal between Paterson and Fiddler's Elbow, Jersey City; all the water rights of the canal company, estimated by Engineer Sherrerd of the State Water Supply Commission, to be worth \$3,000,000; \$500,000 in cash; \$115,000, which the State is otherwise to pay back to the company, under the decision of the Court of Chancery cancelling a grant of land made by the Riparian Commission and directing the repayment to the company of the purchase money and interest; and about 3,000 acres of land, including the bed of the canal west of Paterson, and all the "low lands" owned in fee by the company at Lake Hopatcong and Greenwood Lake.

Ex-Judge Van Syckel, in his printed statement, said in regard to the payments which the State was to receive under the bill: "The sum \$615,000 at six per cent. interest until 1974, when the railroad will come into possession of the State's reversionary interest, will amount to \$8,000,000, or more, to which must be added \$3,000,000 at which the water rights have been estimated by Mr. Hansel and Mr. Sherrerd, and also one-half of the proceeds of the sale of canal lands between Paterson and Fiddler's Elbow."

The public appreciation of amateur theatricals by local Thespians has never been more thoroughly demonstrated than this year, when the sale of tickets for the High School Alumni play has already surpassed all previous records. Although the production will run two nights, tickets for reserved seats are already at a premium, and those who were wise enough to secure them are congratulating themselves and advising their less fortunate friends to buy standing room. Everything that could be done to make the performance an unqualified success has been thought of and provided for by the executive committee, and the management feels safe in stating that no one will be disappointed.

The coaching of William S. Cannon has enabled all of the participants to interpret their parts in a clever and realistic manner. His personal attention to some of the character parts has raised portrayal from a very amateurish to an almost professional presentation.

Music will be furnished by the full High School Glee Club Orchestra of eighteen. Immediately after the play there will be dancing each evening. The cast has held seven rehearsals during the past ten days and will complete their efforts with a dress-rehearsal Tuesday evening, which the faculty of the High School will be invited to attend.

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Glen Ridge Notes.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan B. Fitch of New Haven were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Schmidt of Ridgewood avenue.

The department of French literature of the Woman's Club of Glen Ridge met Monday afternoon for French conversation at the home of Mrs. B. F. Carter of Appleton place.

Mrs. Frederick Everett Stanton of Hamilton road has issued cards and will be at home February 16 from 4 until 6.

Miss Margaret Smith of Hillside avenue has returned from a visit in New York.

Mrs. Samuel Orvis Church of Summit street, East Orange, has issued cards for a reception to be given Thursday afternoon, February 15, from 4 until 7 o'clock, in honor of Miss Katherine Schmidt of Ridgewood avenue, whose engagement to Samuel Orvis Church has recently been announced.

Herbert Guthason of New York was the guest for the week-end of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Williams of Ridgewood avenue.

Mrs. George W. Dunlop of Clark street entertained at whist at her home Wednesday afternoon.

A meeting for the honorary members of the Utopian Club was held Wednesday afternoon, at the residence of Miss Margaret A. Muir of Baldwin street.

Mrs. M. E. Crandell of New York is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Lee of Douglas road.

The Wednesday Afternoon Five Hundred Club was entertained by Miss Margaret Homer of Winsor place.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Phillips of Ridgewood avenue have gone to New York for the remainder of the season.

The Girls' Mission Band of the Glen Ridge Congregational Church will hold a valentine cake and candy sale in the church parlors this afternoon at three o'clock.

H. S. Chapman of Ridgewood avenue has gone South, to remain several weeks.

Miss Helen Arms of New York was the guest this week of Miss Margaret Smith of Hillside avenue.

Mrs. H. S. Holbrook gave a neighborhood party at her home in Wildwood terrace yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. N. M. Chittlering of Woodland avenue has returned from Boston, where she has been spending several weeks.

Miss Constance White of Park avenue left this week for Hartford, where she will attend a house party at Trinity College.

Boy Scout News.

The next meeting of the Local Council B. S. A. will be held Tuesday evening, February 13, at 8 p. m. in the Jarvis Memorial rooms. It will be an important meeting and all members are specially urged to be present.

Ten new members were initiated into the Caduceus Club at the home of Lieutenant Sheldon, Belleville avenue, Monday evening. The idea of this club is for the maintenance and welfare of the first aid Corp of Troop 5. After the initiation, conducted by the chief scout surgeon and the charter members of the club, refreshments were served and a Natural History lecture was given by the commissioner. The boys are very much pleased with the club and are planning for another social time in the near future.

From reports coming in a large number of uniformed scouts expect to attend the Sir Robert Baden Powell rally (founder of the scout movement) this afternoon at the 71st Regiment Armory, New York city. Train leaves Erie (Walnut street) station 12.44 p. m. Only uniformed scouts can go and be taken care of by the commissioner and scout masters.

Don't forget the scout minstrel show Monday night at Central Hall. Get your tickets early, expect a large crowd and a good time.

Rear Admiral P. K. Ching of the Chinese Navy likes the Boy Scouts. He looks upon them as Peace Scouts. Speaking of the scout movement recently he said: "Democracy plays an important part in such an organization, in that youths who are from all walks of life and who would otherwise seldom, if ever, mingle together by virtue of their social barriers, are thus linked to a union which enables them to learn to be thorough, unselfish, and thoughtful of others."

In St. Louis, under the direction of Scout Commissioner Henry C. Thompson, Jr., Boy Scouts have been working valiantly in aid of the Citizens Emergency Relief Committee. That committee in ten days helped more than 20,000 persons with food and clothing. The committee recently adopted resolutions thanking the Boy Scouts for their "unselfish devotion to a noble cause."

At a fire in Homesdale, Pa., recently the Boy Scouts of Troop No. 1 were out the greater part of the night carrying coffee and food for the firemen.

The Boy Scouts in St. Paul, Minnesota, have been collecting clothing and food for the poor, who have been subjected to severe suffering because of the cold.

Suit Over Dog Skin.

That the skin of a Pomeranian dog is worth \$250 is the contention of Dr. G. H. Earp-Thomas hopes to make Judge Lintott of the Second District Court accept in a suit brought against James K. Murgatroyd, a taxidermist at 300 Market street, Newark. Dr. Earp-Thomas alleges that in July, 1910, he took the pelt of the dog to Murgatroyd to have it cured and that it has not been returned to him.

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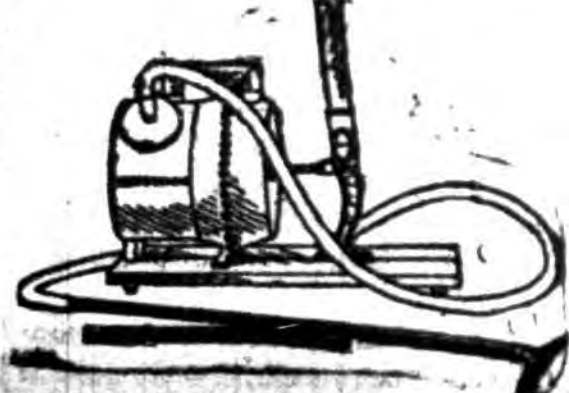
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